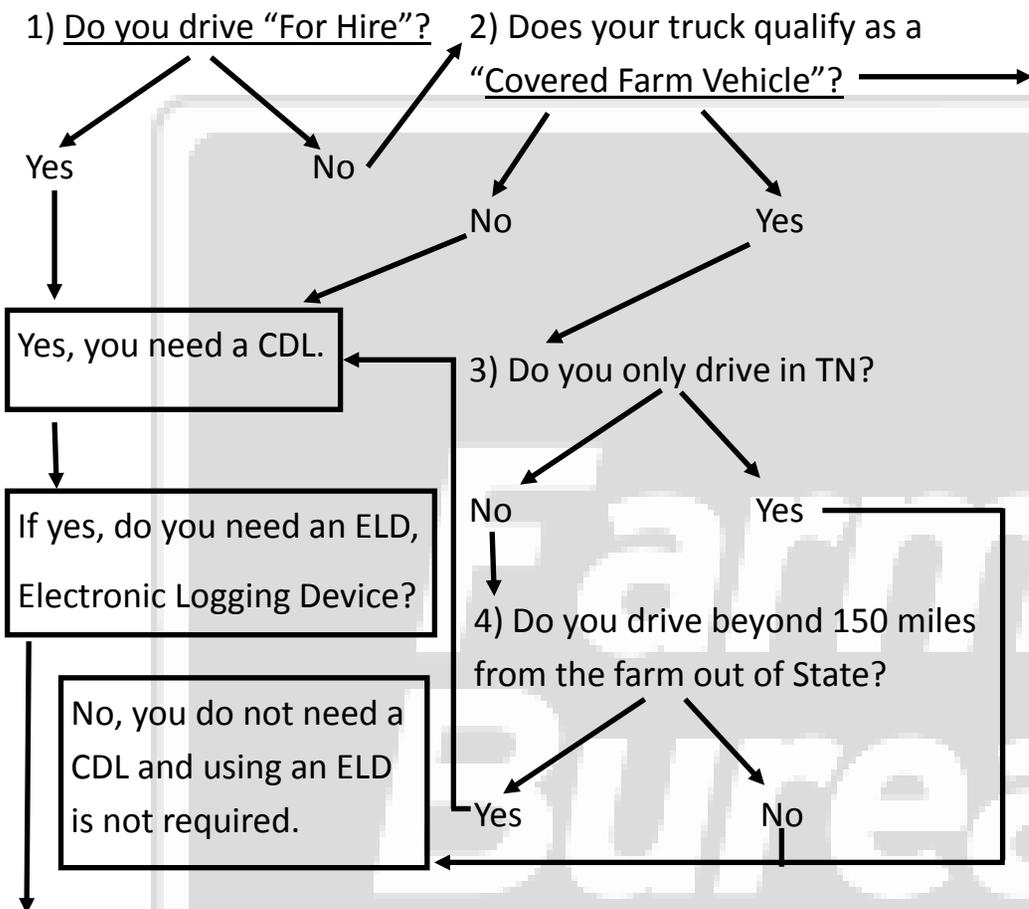


Farmers in Tennessee, do you need a CDL or ELD? (Through March 18, 2018)



What is a "Covered Farm Vehicle" (CFV)?

- 1) Is operated by an owner or operator of a farm, or by a family member or employee of the owner or operator.
- 2) Transports agricultural commodities, livestock, machinery or supplies to or from a farm or ranch.
- 3) Has a license plate or some other means specified by the State that identifies it as a farm vehicle. In Tennessee the appropriately rated Joint Tag (J-Tag).
- 4) Is not used in for-hire motor carrier operations (but for-hire operations do not include use of a vehicle owned and operated by a tenant farmer to transport the landlord's portion of the crops under a crop-share agreement).
- 5) Is not transporting hazardous materials that require placarding, and either of the following:
 - Has a GVW or GVWR (whichever is greater) of 26,001 or less, in which case the CFV exemptions in § 390.39 apply anywhere in the United States.
 - Has a GVW or GVWR (whichever is greater) of more than 26,001 pounds and travels within the State where it is registered or, if traveling out of the State where it is registered and stays within a 150 air miles of the owner or operator's farm or ranch.

From December 18, 2017 to March 18, 2018

Anyone driving agriculture commodities, as defined by the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA), is waived from the Hours of Service (HOS) requirements. Once beyond 150 air-miles, HOS requirements [Electronic Logging Devices (ELDs) or log book] may still apply. Drivers must print and have the waiver in their possession, which can be found at:

<https://www.fmcsa.dot.gov/hours-service/elds/limited-90-day-waiver-transportation-agricultural-commodities>

